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### AN AID TO THE NEWSPAPERS OF TEXAS.

Will H. Mayes, former Lieutenant Governor, editor of the Brownwood Bulletin, and at present professor of Journalism in the University of Texas, has made the first announcement relative to the new school. With reference to the attitude of the school to the press of Texas, Professor Mayes said: "It is the intention of the school to study closely the needs of the press of Texas and the southwest and to co-operate in every possible way with the newspapers in building up a higher standard of journalism—not a stiled aristocratic journalism, but one that will prove of greater service to the country and of more profit to those engaged in the profession. To this end the co-operation of the press of the State is earnestly sought.

"Recognizing the fact that the journalists are the teachers and the leaders of public thought, that they take up the education of the masses where the school leaves off, that ninety per cent of the literature read by the people is journalistic or preiodic in character, the course in journalism in the University of Texas will be laid on a broad academic foundation and will be most thorough in every respect."

The following statement in the announcement is indicative of the practical spirit in which the school is being established. In order that it may render the general services even to those who do not have the time nor inclination to take a complete course, in journalism, the school will receive as irregular students those who desire to take special studies and who show special inclination and aptitude to the work and as soon as possible correspondence courses will be given.

## USING THE UNIVERSITY IN THE SUMMER.

Every effort is made to utilize the equipment and instructing force of the University of Texas throughout the whole year. Each summer the departments at the main university conduct a summer school and normal. Last year nearly 1000 students were in attendance. The majority of this number were teachers in the public school system of Texas. These teachers came to the University with a view of increasing their efficiency in the communities where they are teaching. It is expected that the registration this year will exceed any previous one. The session will begin June 13th and will end July 30th.

Courses will be given in practically every school in the University. Among the courses will be a Bible course in the Life of Christ, by Dr. Frank L. Jewett of the Texas Bible Chair, courses in art craft, teaching of physical training, primary methods, electrical engineering and law. In addition to members of the regular faculty, Dr. H. E. Bolton, professor of History in the University of California, and Dr. J. N. Deahl, professor of education in the University of West Virginia will give courses in their subjects. Dr. J. A. Tolman, professor of Greek and Latin in Simons College will give courses in language and literature. J. F. Kimball, superintendent of Temple City Schools will be lecturer in education, while A. C. Ferguson, superintendent of schools at Marlin will be instructor in English.

The University summer normal will have as its corps of instructors some of the best known men in Texas educational circles.

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## TEXAS BETTER BABIES CONTEST.

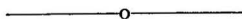
A statewide better babies contest will be one of the features of the exhibit at the next Texas State Fair at Dallas in the latter part of October.

The Department of extension of the University of Texas will provide as usual an interesting and attractive exhibit. The better babies contest will be under the direction of the Home Welfare Division of the Department of Education. This department in charge of Miss Mary E. Gearing, Miss Jessie P. Rich, and Miss Frances Lowen, is especially interested in the welfare of the child and in the most fundamental ways of contributing to its physical welfare.

## RURAL SCHOOL EDUCATION WEEK

Texas rural schools are receiving more study and attention than ever before in the educational history of the State. For the third time, students of this problem in Texas will meet with patrons, school teachers, and trustees who know at first hand the difficulties of the rural school in their respective communities. The third annual session of rural school education week will begin Monday, July 13, 1914 at the University of Texas. Dr. W. S. Sutton, Dean of the Department of Education and the Summer School at the University, who is responsible for the interest which is being shown on this question, has completed the program for the week. The United States Bureau of Education will co-operate by sending Professor Harold Walstein Foght, head of the rural school division of the United States Bureau of Education. He will deliver lectures daily as will Professor E. M. Rapp, superintendent of Berks County Pennsylvania school. Other lecturers and leaders of round table discussions will be state superintendent Doughty, former state superintendent F. M. Bralley, who is now head of the division department of Extension in the University, J. F. Kimball, superintendent of city schools, Temple, Texas, and H. T. Musselman, editor of the Rural School Advocate of Dallas. These lecturers and leaders of round tables have been chosen from experienced school men who have long labored for educational progress in Texas.

From time to time during the week sessions of the rural school assembly a voluntary organization, established in July 1913, will hold business sessions. At the last meeting many county superintendents, rural patrons and teachers were in attendance.



## WASHINGTON POSTMASTER A TEXAS MAN.

Otto Praeger, who has been appointed Post master at Washington, D. C., is a Texan. When appointed he was Washington correspondent for the Dallas News and he began his newspaper work on the San Antonio Express. Mr. Praeger received his college education at the University of Texas.

## TEXAS FUELS.

A free Bulletin of Information.

"Fuels Used in Texas" is the title of a comprehensive and valuable bulletin written by William B Phillips and S. H. Worrell and printed by the University of Texas as Bulletin No. 35. It is free to all who write for it.

The reason given for its publication is that the large fuel supply of Texas is not being used economically or to the best advantage. It points out the fact that we have something like 8,200 square miles of coal territory and probably 5,300 more square miles which may yet be developed. Of lignite fields we have 50,000 square miles now developed, and the total workable area may yet reach 60,000.

According to the authors the time has already come when it behooves Texans to use their fuel wisely and economically. As large plants make for more economic fuel consumption, they foresee the time when "the establishment of large central power plants using lignite as fuel will present unusual attractions for capital. The lignite will be converted into gas or into electrical energy and sold to consumers."

One chapter is an effort to inform the reader when it is cheaper to use wood and when coal should be bought. For example, it points out the fact that one cord of oak is equivalent to 1,420 pounds of coal; a cord of cedar produces as much heat as 1,000 pounds of coal; a cord of hickory gives out as much heat as 1,640 pounds of coal. In general, it is explained, when coal sells for \$8 per ton, good oak wood should sell for \$5.50 or \$6 a cord. When the difference is greater, the purchaser can profit by reference to this bulletin and making his purchases accordingly.

The bulletin contains an announcement of the completion of a map showing the location of coal out-crops mines, oil and gas fields, quarries of limestone and gypsum and deposits of copper ore in the area west and northwest of Fort Worth, and that it will be ready before the close of the year for distribution.

In addition, there are many analyses of coal, both of Texas and foreign samples. From these the consumer, particularly the owner of a power plant or factory can get some accurate information as to the character of coal he is using, or that offered by dealers.

Descriptions of many tests are included; not only the number of Brit-

ish thermal units per pound is indicated, but information is given as to the furnace treatment of various fuels in order to get the greatest efficiency. Particular attention is given to lignite, on account of the relative abundance of lignite and its cheapness. Owners of power plants who are unsatisfied with the results they are getting from lignite may find the answer to their difficulty.

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#### YOUNG WOMAN MAKES GOOD IN LAW.

The first young woman student of Law in the University of Texas has made good. Miss Rose Zelosky of Fort Worth has been appointed as a quiz master in Law for next year. The duties of the quiz master are to grade the examination papers of the Law students and to conduct the class rolls. Miss Zelosky will receive the Bachelor of Laws degree at the coming Commencement. She will be the first woman to receive a Law degree from the University of Texas. The selection of these quiz masters is based chiefly on scholarship. Miss Zelosky has been near the head of her class since she became a student of Law. In addition to Miss Zelosky, four young men were appointed quiz masters: Grady Niblo and J. D. Frank of Dallas, L. H. Flewellen of Belton and J. A. McNair of Hallettsville.

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#### STATE UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR WINS PRIZE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Dr. Frederick Eby, of the Department of Education in the University of Texas, has been notified that he has been awarded \$500 by the Board of Education of the Baptist General Convention of Texas as a second prize for the best book on the general topic "Christian Education". This prize was offered in September 1912. Professor Eby's book will be published by one of the leading publishers of the country and is to be called "Christianity and Education". The competition was not restricted to Texas, but was open to the world. Some of the leading divines of the South constituted the committee of awards which was composed of President E. Y. Mullins, D. D., Louisville, Ky., Dr. J. M. Frost, Secretary of the Sunday School Association, Nashville, Tenn., and Dr. S. J. Porter, D. D., San Antonio, Texas.

## A NEW LITERARY PUBLICATION.

A literary review to be edited and to a large extent supported by members of the University of Texas faculty has come to life. Many Texans have long emphasized the need of such a periodical which shall be the medium for the publication of critical articles and other matter dealing with subjects of general literary interest and which shall go far towards making of the University of Texas a center of liberal culture in the south. Professor Stark Young, head of the school of General Literature in the University, and a poet and dramatist, has been appointed editor-in-chief and Dr. P. H. Houston, of the Department of English, will act as associate and managing editor. It is intended that the review shall represent the effort on the part of the University to spread liberal education.

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Three hundred and forty young men and women who have received their education from the hands of the State will graduate from the University of Texas in June, 1914. This number represents every section of the State of Texas and 95 per cent of the graduates will return to their homes to live and work in the professions for which they have been trained at the State University. One hundred and thirty-one of the graduates will receive the Bachelor of Arts degree, the greater number of this section will engage in teaching in Texas high schools. The next largest number are the Law graduates with ninety-three. The Medical Department comes next with twenty-four graduates in Pharmacy, twenty-three as Doctors of Medicine, seven as trained nurses. Twenty-eight students will receive the Masters degree, twenty-five in Arts; three in law. Thirty-one of the graduates will go into engineering work, fifteen as civil engineers, thirteen electrical engineers, three as mining engineers. The Bachelor of Science degree will be awarded to one student, the Bachelor of Science in Medicine to two.